presed" some time since.

The farthcould report of the Secretary of War, will recommend, it is believed, a large increase of the United States Army, is view of the vast area of country over which the soldiers must be scattered, to afford the requisite pretection to estalers and amigrants. At Present the entire ferce of the army is only 18,752, dthough the number for which prevision might be made, without overstopping the set of Congress, in 17,868. The recruits udded to the different Regimenza lately, are not included, but as the enlisting business has been for a long time, and is still very dull, the has been for a long time, and is still very dull, the above figures are nearly correct. Chiefly owing to the preparate for the preparation of the preparation of the properties at the properties are the properties ar eruiting will be at all trisk for the next two ve months If may extra force be required a large bounty, and other inducements must be held out to military sepirants. 'Gon. Scott's able or isr ealogizing and detailing the services of the Regiments serving in the Westoru States and Territories, which was pressulgated a few weeks age, will relieve Mr. Floyd from unking lengthy reference to the sabject. The San Joan diffi culty," he mule contract, and the condition of the Uta's garriese, together with some notices of geographica changes in the military departments, courts martial &c., will be treated in the report.

The new fert at the entrance of Portland (Ne.) bar ber the commencement of which we noticed some weeks ago, is to be immediately foreified. The fort has cost \$420,000.

Letters from the stations of company A, First Artillery, companies A and d, or the First Infattry, compamies C and D, of the Eighth Inflammy, company A and detachments from companies J and K, of the Second Cavalry, report these troops about to depart for the Rio Grande, in compliance with the late order of Gen. Twiggs. We have tate naval news from Florida. Commodore McIntosh, at Pensacola, had received and complied with orders to dispatch some recruiting offipers to New Orleans without delay, for the purpose of entisting men at suce to take the new steam sloop Penercola around to Norfolk for her machinery. Pur ser &uckson, Lientenant Rochelle, and Surgeon GanneiPlaid been ordered to the vessel by the Commodore. It was expected that they might be able to leave Watrington on the 1st of December.

The U. S. sleop-of-war Saratoga, of the home squadroe had put into Pansecola on official business, and wen giving liberty to her crew, some of whom were de erting. The deserters would be immediately replaced by men from the navy yard, so as not to detain the ship from her duties on the station.

The steamer Fulton, which was wrecked off the Pioridian coast, was surveyed, and the report save 41 at \$41,000 will be necessary to repair her machinery. The officers and crew of the Fulton had been ordered by the Navy Department to take the steam sloop Penescola to Norfolk with the New-Orleans recruits, where they will be detached for other service. Chief Engineer Alexander was ordered to the gun-

s boat Seminole, the machinery for which was expected to arrive from New-York. The marines of the Saratoga having been in need of

reënforcements, a small detachment was transferred to her from the Washington garrison.

Preparations are being made at the Brooklyn Navy Yard to receive the United States steam frigute Wabush fing ship of the Mediterranean Squadron. She will be due here on Wednesday next, the 7th inst., but may not arrive until the 15th.

The Saranac's crew was to have been paid of yes terday at Brooklyn.

MARINE AFFAIRS.

LOSS OF TWO WHALING BARKS, WITH THE WHOLE OF A CREW.

Capt. B. G. Handy, late master of the bark Phenix of Nantucket, which was wrecked at Elbow Island, on the 12th of October, arrived at San Francisco in the whaleship Massachusetts, and furnishes the following account of the loss of his own vessel, and that of the bark Ocean Wave, of New-Bodford, Capt. Baker with all hands, in a snow storm:

ON BOARD WHALE SHIP MASSACHUSETTS, November 6, 1859.
The whole bark Phornix, of Nantucket, under command, and the whale bark Ocean Wave, of New Bedford, Capt. Baser, were soin wrecked on the 12th of October, 1858. Being bound out from Shantar Bay on the 11th October, I was forced by head winds and had weather to make a harbor of the west end of El-bow Island; came to anchor, the land distant about 24 miles, and found the Ocean Wave also at anchor about miles, and found the Ocean Wave also at anchor about half a mile off; remained at anchor until 9 o'clock in the evening, when the wind shifted very suddenly to the west, and commenced blowing very heavily, accompanied by a thick snow-storm; let go all our anchors, the bide setting us toward the shore, and hoped to weather the gale.

At 3 a. m., the snow having ceased, saw the Ocean Wave, who like our vessel, dragged her anchors, and

Wave, who, like our wessel, dragged her anchors, and also found that we were too near the shoresto hope for deliverance by slipping our cables. The gale new increased, and the weather again closed in thick. I suppose it was about this time that the Ocean Wave slipped her cables, and endeavored to work off, being our

de of us.

The tide now turned, and still hoping to save the

Granada for cargo of matives, to be taken to Cuba as apprer area, with a crew of eight men: Captain, B. A. Acceptes; mate, Heirap; cook, —; seamen, Charles Pavis, Alejtandro Carcer, Genillot Faustin, P. etc., Jee —, and Jose Maria Ortega, a deserter from the Spanish army. After being out two we three days, it was proposed among the even to kill the captain; and being bear the Florida coast, near Hillsboro, the vessel was run ashore about 2 o'clock in the morning, and Se attempt was made to get her off. After getting breakfast, Charles Pavis struck the captain with his hand. Carcer then cut him on the right temple with a knide. He was then thrown overboard, and from pote and ether missiles thrown at him; but taking to effect I de death, the small boat was lowered, three of them getting into it, but it was almost immediately capsized, and Joe — was cancht under it and drowned. The others, being so intent upon the death of the captain, allowed Joe to remain under the boat until the captain was killed and buried labout three heres. Failing in this attempt to get held of the captain, allowed Joe to remain under the boat until the captain was killed and buried labout three heres. Failing in this attempt to get held of the captain vas killed and buried labout three heres. Failing in this attempt to get held of the captain vas killed and buried labout three heres. Failing in this attempt to get held of the captain vow made piteous appeals for his fife, reminding "harley or Charles Davis, that he the captain had a vow made piteous appeals for his fife, reminding "harley or Charles Davis, that he the captain had and buried. Joe was then taken out from ander the boat and endeavors made to restore him to life, which were fruitless, and later the lapse of two days he was buried, and prayers read over the grave by the mate. A tent was then exected ashore, the small boat repaired, and the Captain's trunk carried to the tent and breken open. It was found to contain about two hundred and twenty-

was found to contain about two handred and twentywe Mexican cances, which were divided and in the
crew. Subsequently they put to sea in a smell boat,
and after being out several days were picked up by the
United States Lighthouse schooner Dehaware. Captain
Owens, whem they told that Captain Mozentes had
been accidentally knocked overbeard by the boom, and
in wearing the vessel to look forthin, she want ashore.
Before the suspicions of Captain Owens were aroused.
Davis and Cook took the small boat and escaped to
Tampa, 3r.d thence to New Orleans. The money was
taken from the four remaining, and they were carried
to Koy-west, where the mate fied. José Maria Ortega
was used by the government to convict Carcer and
Eloy. About three weeks after the marder, the grave
was visited by Lieut. W. B. Randolph and M. F. Filer Eloy. About three weeks efter the marker, the grave was visited by Lieut, W. B. Randolph and M. F. Filer of Key West, They had the body exhuned, and rec-ognized it to be that of "Captain B. A. Morantes, who who had once resided is Key West. Wounds were discovered upon the body, face and week, but the body of the murdered man was so much decomposed that a

#### FROM NASSAU.

By the steamer Karnak, Capt. Brownless, we have Nassau papers to the 23d of November, inclusive. The Governor dissolved the Assembly on the 24th. The American bark Umpire, Higgins, sailed from Nassau on the 2:d of November for Jamaica.

From The Nassau Herald, Nov. 9.

An American steamer bound to Aspinwall, recently got on shore at the French Caye. The only vessel that was near the place, and that went to her assistance was the Tropic Wind, to whose captain the sem of offer being refused, the coal on board the steamer was thrown overboard, and she finally got off, after being as shore seven days.

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The American orig Birchard & Torrey, H. A. Cole, master, from Guaduloupe bound to Jackesaville, put in here on Monday last for medical assistance. The captain and crew were all taken with fever four days after leaving Guaduloupe. One of the men, Hurry Ross, died on Monday, at 12 o'clock. The vessel is in charge of one of the crew and six men belonging to Eleuthern, where the brig was obliged to step to obtain assistance to reach this port.

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The American schooner Mary, H. Sampson, master, of and from Plymouth, bound to Attakapas, Fla., pat into this port last evening in distress, having sprang a leak in the late heavy weather.

From The Herald of Nov. 16.

Salvage,—The Chamber of Commerce vesterday awarded to the salvors of the cargo of the American ship Kedwood, wrecked at Grand Bahama. 50 per cent on the net proceeds or appraised value of the dry, and 60 per cent on the net proceeds of the wet cetton; also, 15 per cent on the specie, and £15 to the wreck-master.

master.

From The Herald of Nov. 22.

The bark Medway, on leaving this port for Lendon, on Saturday night last, got on shore near the east end of Silver Cay, and became a total wreck. The Medway crossed the bar with a light breeze, which was fair, and gained an offing of a mile or twe. The wind then failed entirely, and she was gradually set shoreward by the swell of the ocean, which, with a sudden flaw of wind from the north, carried her into the critical of Silver Cay. The carron was all saved by sundry ity of Silver Cay. The cargo was all saved by sundry wrecking vessels lying in port at the time.

# PUBLIC MEETINGS.

BAYARD TAYLOR ON HUMBOLDT. Mr. BAYARD TAYLOR gave before a large audience last evening, in the Cooper Institute, an address on the Life and Character of Alexander Ven Humboldt. He said that as the aloe awared but once in a hundred years, so the world's green came fourth only in rare years. Such a year 1769, which produced Cavier, Walter Scott, Josephson, Mapoleon, and Humbeldt. His infancy childhood were spent same fourth only in under the most favorable circumstaneos, and his teacher, George Foster, was the translator of Robinson Crusoe, that fiction more real than any reality. He taught the boy Humboldt botany in his walks with him, so that he had mastered the Linneau System at 12 years of age. This led him to other studies, as he ound that each was a part of all. He studied nearly all the sciences with persons eminent in those sciences. Well prepared in all, he at that sold has patrimony and set out on his survey of the world, with special reference to the tropical regions. With Boupland he projected several journeys; the first which he accomplished was in 1729, from Spain to the Spanish possessions in South America. He had an absolute hanger special reference to the tropeal regions. An an Dongsteic of us.

The tide now turned, and still hoping to save the vessel, let go a hawser with all the newable iron on board attached. The ship continued to drag, and the gale continuing with unabating fury, cat away the masts, but the ship continued to drag, and the gale continuing with unabating fury, cat away the masts, but the ship continued to drag, and the gale continuing with unabating to any and again, floated in deep water, but leaking so badly as to do not here to prevent her foundering. The next day, the gale having moderated, we landed in safety, the gale having moderated, we landed in safety, the gale having moderated, we landed in safety, the gale having moderated, we landed in safety in the detaining and previsions possible, but the vessel seon went to pieces.

1 We hoped the Ocean Wave, who had seen our posite a, would return and take us off, but it was not said the fleet arrived this Spring that we learned also that she was missing. We stopped with our entire draw all Winter on the island, and continued in good beakly, although safesing much from cold. The Mind and the same of the death of the same of the part of the same of the part of the vest, toggether with some remains of the part of the destance of the bean Wave, and surceeded in finding part of her week, toggether with some remains of the part of the same remains of the part of the same of the part of the same remains of the part of the destar of the same remains of the part of the same of the part of the part of the same of the part of the

And that when he first visited Humbold the share a part of her cargo, and would reload ourside the bar. Vessels bound to San Juan, during the mosthers, would be liable to great risks, as the harbor will remain closed until the rainy season sets in.

CONVICTION FOR PIRACY AND MURDER—ATROCIOUS MULTINY.

The Key West (Fla.) correspondent of The Charleshon, on the 23d November, in the United States Circuit Court of Key West, of Alejiandro Carcer and Genillot Flaustin Eley, two of the crew of the American schooner Enterprise, for the murder of the sapain.

The following are the particulars of the piracy and marders. The schooner Enterprise sailed from Havam about the 5th of June last, bound on a voyage to New.

tonishe at his familiarity with the streets and house a of the Holy City, he asked, "How long is it since your Excellency was in Jerusaler I" Humbolt answered: "I have never been l'arre, but sixty years ago I intended going, and prepared nyself." On Mr. Taylor's last interview with his, he evinced an astonishing recollection of a little German town which he had not seen for forty years. In his memory he had the voices of Burke, Pitt, Jefferson, and Mirabeau: and the forests of the Orinsco were before him in his dreams. His descriptions of croical scenery had imprired the greatest living landscape painter, Frederick Church, [Applause] whose picture, the Heart of the Andes, was painted, in the kepe that Humbold might some day see it. He was simple-bearted, honest, and Republican. When Niebuhr villified Arago to the King of Prassia, who was inclined to agree with him, Humbold said, "and yet this monster is the dearest friend I have in "France." When Schiller received his patent of nobility, he said, "Well, it will amuse children." In the Sam mer he lived with the King, in the Winter in the heuse of his servant. The stars and crosses which were showered upon him by kings and emperors were bound neglected and covered with dust after his death. At first sacrificing everything to his love for knowledge, honors such as no statesman ever won were laid at, his feet. His personal appearance larmonized with his character. His portrait, taken at forty, when his hair was perfectly white, was but slightly different from that taken at St. Daring a large por tion of his life he slept but three hours and a-half. Haughter and applause.) Mr. Taylor was very much struck at the objective manner in which he spoke of his body. He made it the subject of scientific observation, and at hist calculated the ratio of decay so accurately, that he was able to forefell the period of his death. His muscular strength was slight. When a machise of testing umscular strength was slight, When a machise of testing umscular strength was slight. When a said to him (Mr. Taylor) with a smile, "Traveling al-ways increases the vitality of a traveler, if it does not kill him at the outset." Mr. Taylor concluded with a glowing culogium. He said that the universe now perpetuated his glory. The palms of the Tropics, borne at his funeral, would keep his memory forever green. Kivers, vales, mountains, and glaciers of Arctic tee re-joiced to bear his name. Chimbo azo recenced it, and among the asteroids a planet Alexander. jorced to bear his hinne. Chimber allo received it, had among the asteroids a planet Alexandra was chanting triumphantly in the chorus of the stars.

AFRICAN CIVILIZATION SOCIETY. A meeting of the friends of the African Civilization Society was held in the Seventh-avenue Presbyterian Church on Thursday evening. The Rev. Mr. PRIME,

one of the agents of the Society, in the chair.

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The Rev. Mr. Wilson said that it had been charged that the African Civilization Society was the old scheme of Colonization revived, but so far as any relation to the American Colonization Society that was untrue, although it was necessarily a Colonization Society. The Colonization Society was a coercive one—the Civilization Society was a voluntary one.

The Rev. Mr. Bourni, Agent of the Society, who has just returned from a visit to Great Britain, gave a pleasing necount of his experience and success in the presentation of the objects of the Society to the British people. He made some statements of the meetings of commercial and mercantile men which had been held in Manchester and Liverpool with special reference to the adulteration of cotton with sand by the Southern planters in America. In consequence of these frauds the culic tation of cotton in Africa by free labor was greatly favored. One Manchester manufacturer had bought, among a number of bales, one containing more sand than cotton, and it had been found impossible to trace the source from which it came.

The Rev. Mr. Constantiae, Secretary of the Society, read extracts from several letters just received from Lagos, in Africa. Among others was one stating that Dr. Delany, late of Canada, and more recently of New-York, was undergoing the process of acclimantion; that he was well liked by the people, and that a hundred others of the same stamp, coming from the United States, would be made welcome. A letter from Mr. Campell at Abeokuta was also read, which set forth that he had found the matives of that country exceedingly industrious, and willing to be engaged in various purents of a useful nature.

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A collection was taken up, and the meeting ad-

THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE.

The American Institute held a meeting last evening, at the Cooper Institute, Gen. HALL in the chair. The business of the meeting opened with the usual routine.

business of the meeting opened with the usual routine. A few reports of Committees on Manufactures, Science, and Arts, were received, but not acted on.

The time of the evening was chiefly occupied with a discussion on the report of the Finance Committee, to whom had been referred, at a previous session, a series of resolutions, instructing them to inquire into the financial condition of the Institute, and to report upon the reduction of expenses and salaries within the limits of the resources of the Institute. The report stated that for some years past the expenses had exceeded the revenues, and if some reform was not speedily adopted, the prosperity of the Institute would be gone. The excess of expenses over the receipts of the years from 1855 to 1859, both inclusive, was reported in round numbers as amounting to \$12,984. There was also reported to be a mortgage on the property of the Institute at No. 357 Brondway, with a note against it, both amounting to \$20,000. The report further recomnended that the office of Corresponding Secretary should be made honorary, and the salary of Recording

mended that the office of Corresponding Secretary should be made honorary, and the salary of Recording Secretary be reduced to \$100 per annum.

The reception of this report gave rise to a protracted and somewhat stormy debate, and was finally laid upon the table for future action. In conclusion a committee of five was appointed to revise the bye laws, when the Institute adjourned.

NEW-YORK SANITATRY ASSOCIATON. A stated meeting of this Association was held at the Cooper Institute on Thursday evening, Gen. F. E.

MATHER in the chair. The minutes of the previou MATHER in the chair. The minutes of the previous meeting being read, the Treasurer reported a balance in the treasury of \$26.63. A report was adopted, presenting a summary of the business of the Association for the year 1859. A Committee was then appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year, who, after a brief absence, reported the following names:

Prevident—Gen. F. E. Mather.

First Vice Prevident—Dr. Griscom.

Second Vice Prevident—R. H. McGurdy.

Curresponding Secretary—Dr. Faimer.

Second Fice President—R. H. McGurdy.
Corresponding Secretary—Dr. Palmer.
Recording Secretary—Harry Cleaveland.
Treasurer—Nathan Hayden.
Librarian—Walter B. Roberts.
Council—Peter Cooper. Expect G. Vealy, Chas. C. Sursep.
Ce. R. Agunw, M. D. Alford Fool, M. D. Isaac Wood, M. D.
The report of the Nominating Committee was umanimously adopted. Mr. Wetnore, temporarily occupying the chair, addressed Gen. Mathen a few complimentary words on his reelection, to which Mr. Mather responded in a corresponding spirit. Dr. Griscow rend a paper showing the rate of mortality in New-York, as compared with Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimere, and Brooklyn, exhibiting a large pro-rata pre-ponderance of deaths on the side of New-York. After the transaction of some other unimportant business, the Association adjourned.

GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the American Geographics and Historical Society took place in the Historical Society Building last evening. A paper was read by Mr. Joseph C. G. Kennedy, the Superintendent of the Fighth I nited States Ceusus, on "The Progress of Statistice." Mr. Kennedy had condensed, with great skill, accounts of the progressive advancement of statistical science in each of the leading nations of civilization, and portrayed with great exactness the method adopted is taking the census of this country.

A lively contest took place in reference to the choice of officers for the cassing year. The ticket known as the "Reform Nominations," was elected by a considerable majority. It comprised the following names:

For President—Heaving Frincell, the Hen. George Folsem, the Hon. Charles P. Dudying Secretary—John Jay.

For Dimentic Corresponding Secretary—The Rex. E. H. Chapin, U.D.

For theoring Secretary—Erederick Prime. and Historical Society took place in the Historical

Chapin, U.D.

For Recording Secretary—Frederick Prime.

For Treamer—Frank Moore.

For Librarien—Samiel W. Fishe.

And a Council of Twenty, made up of the prominent
Geographers and Statisticians of the city and country.

AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY. AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY.

The stated meeting of the Managers was held at the Bible Honge, Astor place, on Thursday, the 1st inst., at 41 o'clock; Hon. LETHER BRADISH in the chair, assisted by Wm. B. Crosby, Benjamin L. Swan, Francis Hall, and Pelatiah Perit, esqre.

Five new auxiliaries were recognized, of which three are in Kansas, one in Missouri, and one in Indiana.

Communications were received from the Rev. Issue G. Bliss, Constantinople, in regard to the publication of the Scriptures in the Turkish language: from the Rev. Mr. Syle, Shanghui, recommending the appointment of an Accent of this Society in China.

Secretary McNeill gave an account of a recent tour to the South, and of an encouraging meeting in behalf of the Bible Society at Charleston.

Some valuable additions to the Library were presented.

Grants were made to the American Tract Society to the Presinterian Board of Missions.

the Presbyterian Board of Missions; to the Sunday-

School Union of the Methodist Church, South; to the Methodist Missionary Society for their missionary in School Umon of the Methodist Church, South; to the Methodist Missionary Society for their missionary in Beenos Ayres, S. A.; books to the amount of \$\frac{1}{2}\text{soft} for distribution in poor counties in Florida and Georgia; to the amount of \$170 for Kansas; books for Cancak; for distribution at Rotterdam, Holland; and to experies of vessels, through J. S. Pierson, esq., books if, various languages to be distributed in foreign countains; and two volumes for the blind.

HONORS TO WASHINGTON IRVING.

On Thursday evening, after attending the faneral of Washington Irving, the Trustees of the Aster Library held a meeting at the Library Pooms, Mayer Tiemann President ex officio, in the chair, and present Messrs Wm. B. Astor, Daniel Lord, Joseph G. Cogswell Saml. B. Ruggles, Gen. John A. Dix, the Rev. T. H. Taylor, D. B., Abrabam V. Williams, M. D., and John Jacob Astor, jr.

Mr. Ruggles, from, the Committee for the purpose reported the following resolutions, which were unani monsly adopted?

Resired, That we deplore the loss which the Astor Library has sustained in the death of Washington trying, the first President of the floard of Trustees, the chosen friend of the foundar of the Library, and first named by him in the original ast of donation as a Trustees, a selection fully justified by the admirable qualities of Mr. Irving.

Resided, That we record our sense of his excellence, both moral and intellectual, manifested in the

mation as a Trustee—a selection mily justime by the scanning qualities of Mr. Irving.

Revolved, That we record our sense of his excellence, both moral end intellectual, manifested in the singular beauty and parity, not only of his numerous and varied works of fact and faction, but of his deally iffe. His generous and kindly lowe of extern and of human nature, his rare and genial humor, his exquisits appreciation of the beautiful and the noble, whether in conduct or he art; the matchless delicacy and grace of his intellect, adorned by the greatest modesty of deportment; his breakth and acuteness of observation, communicied with overflowing feesile.

tation, over which he so long and so homorably presided.

Resolved, That the Trustees, after so many years of personal and kindly intercourse with their lamented friend and associate, will ever cherish his memory with food and affectionate regard; and they condiaily unite in the general and wide-spread expression of the whole community, which deplores his death as a loss to the nation and the age to which he belonged.

Resolved, I hat these resolutions be signed by the Trustees, and transmitted othe family of Mr. Frying.

I have the death of the family of Mr. Frying.

Upon the death of Mr. John Jacob Astor, in 1847. the donation in his will of \$400,000 to establish the Aster Library, duly took effect; whereupon Washington Irving, named by the testator as the first on the list of the eleven trustees, was chosen President of the Board, and heid the office until his death.

The series of Annual Reports to the State Legislature for the last eleven years, transmitted by him as President, and by his co-Trustee, Samuel B. Ruggles, as Secretary, constitute of themselves a connected and interesting history of the rise and progress of the insti-

The Trustees, on receiving the intelligence of the death of Mr. Irving, directed the Library to be closed. in henor of his memory, on the day of his funeral, and empowered a Committee to prepare resolutions, to be entered on their records, expressing their sense of the loss sustained by the institution.

It is a fact worth remembering and recording that Mr. Ruggles, as early as 1833, with the consent of our City Corporation, bestowed on the new avenue laid in that year, through his lands, the honored name of "Irving Place." Some of our citizens of Scotch origin had recently caused the name of Sixth street, on the north side of Washington square, to be changed to Waverly Place," in honor of Sir Walter Soott; whereupon Mr. Ruggles hastened to render to his own distinguished countryman the enduring tribute of indelibly imprinting his name upon the city, which, as an author and a man, he had so much honored and

THE ELECTION RETURNS AND THE POLICE.

OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. } No. 30 BRAVER STREET, Dec. 1, 1059.

No. 24 Braver Pterret, Dec. 1, 1829.

To Anos Pillaruny, 224, General Superin cadent of Police.

Dear Sir: On election nights our measurages have frequently had much difficulty in salning admission to the Inspector's rooms, and, in order to facilitate the collection of returns on Tuesday next, I beg to ask on behalf of the Associated Press, that you will on the day of election give special instruction to the policemen on doty at the several politing districts to admit our messangers to the rooms of the Canvassers with as listle delay as possible, and onder such regulations as you may thirk proper to order. Each anthorized messanger of the Associated Press will be furnished with a suitable card of admission. Respectfully, your obedient servant,

D. H. GRAIG, Agent of the New York Associated Press.

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D. H. CRAIG, Agent of the New York Associated Free.
OFFICE OF SUPERISTENDENT OF METROPOLITAN POLICES, No. 418 Broomest, New York, Dec. 2, 1859
D. H. CRAIG, esq.—Dear Sir: Being always ready and willing to tender to the Associated Frees every facility in up power. I have issued the following general order to the Captains of Police. Yourstraly.

AMOS PILLISBURY, General Superintendent.

CAPTAIN —— Sir: You will direct the Police on duty at the respective polls in your Precinct, at the easing election to afford to the messengers of the Associated Pressevery facility for obtaining access to the rooms of the Canvassers.

AMOS PILSBURY, General Superintendent.

ELECTION RETURNS-TO THE ELECTION CANVASS-

Election Returns.—To the Election Casyassers.—The Garvassers of every election district will be furnished with blanks from the Associated Press, which they are respectfully requested to fill up as soon as the votes are counted, and deliver, when called for, to the regularly authorized collector, who will exhibit tickets of their authority from the agent.

Numerois attempts having been mads, which in many cases were successful, by persons not representing the Associated Press, to secure our blanks from the Canvassers and Foli-Clorks at previous elections, the undersigned would request the Canvassers to dilver the blanks only to those persons who are able to exhibit the proper authority for receiving them. By properly fixing the blanks, which are left at the polls of each election District, and observing the above request, every daily paper in New-York will be able to fornish the policie with the result of the election on the following morning. The journals composing the Associated Press are The Thursper, Cournel of Commercial Advertiser, Day Book, Stocatz Equiper, Journal of Commercial Advertiser, Day Book, Stocatz Equiper, Leonder, and Courrier der Flatz. Unit. D. H. CRA15, Agent of New-York Asociated Press.

## FIRES

List might, about 10 o'clock, a fire broke out in the hat and cap store of Maurice Schenyer, No. 19 Avenne B, and before the flames could be extinguished, the stock was dumaged to the amount of \$296. From an examination of the premises after the fire was extinguished, it appeared evident that the building had been purposely fired, and suspicion, from some circumstances that transpired, falling upon Schenyer, the proprietor, he was arrested by the Eleventh Ward police, and locked up to await the result of the Fire Marshal's investigation. Schenyer had an insurance of \$1,500 in the Ruigers Insurance Co. upon his stock. The damage to the building was not very great. The occupants on the apper floors were much frightened, and nearly all fled precipitately from the premises, making no attempt to save their goods and chastels. Fortunately, however, the fire was confined to the first floor. FIRE IN EVENUE B-ARREST ON SUSPICION OF ARSON.

FLUID ACCIDENT IN MANGIN STREET .- Last even ing, a girl about 6 years of age, named Ada Kirkwood, residing at No. 41 Mangin street, white filling a fluid lump, was terribly borned in consequence of the inflammable material taking fire from a lamp that stood near. Her burns are of so serious a nature that little hopes are entertained of her recov-

## CITY ITEMS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC .- The season closes with a grand Adelina Patti Matince to-day, at I o'clock, on which occasion the entire Opera of " La Sonnambala will be performed. Mile. Adelina Patti, and Signors. Brignoli and Amodi will appear and sing their favorite

Gronge Jonnas's Beserit.-Mr. Jordan has a benefit to-night at Laura Keene's, when "The Wife's Secret" and another attractive piece will be given, embracing the entire company. MRE, HOEY'S BENEFIT .- Mrs. Hoey of Wallack's

has her benefit to-night. The bill is "Americans in Paris" and "The Soldier's Daughter," both strongly

CLOSED FOR THIS EVENING .- In consequence of the

dress rehearsal of Mr. Benrzicault's new play, there

will be no performance to-night at the Winter Garden WALLACK'S THEATER. -To-night Mrs. Hoey's benefit will take place at the above theater, when Cherry's comedy of "The Soldier's Daughter" will be presented for the first time in five years, and also that excellent comedy entitled "Americans in Paris." Mrs. Hoey

sustains a character in each piece, and the casts jucinde

the names of Lester, Brougham, Blake, Walcot, and all the old favorites. Of course, there will be a rush.

HURRY UP TO THE TAX OFFICE .- Mr. James Kelly, Receiver of Taxes, gives official notice in our columns this morning that two per cent will be added to all taxes remaining unpaid on the 15th of December, and interest at the rate of twelve per cent per annum, calenlated from Sept 19, the day the books were handed to the Receiver, will be added on the 1st of January.

MR. BELMONT GIVES A STATUE TO THE CENTRAL PARK. Mr. Belmont has proposed to the Commissioners to place, at his own expense, on the grounds of the Central Park, a statue, in marble or bronze, of his distinguished father-in-law, Com. Perry. The Commissioners have promptly signified their pleasure in ac cepting the generous proposition. Paul Akers of Maine has received an order for the statue.

COMMISSIONERS OF POLICE.-The usual weekly meeting of this Board was held yesterday afternoon at Police Headquarters, President Stillman in the chair, and all the members present. Last Friday being the anniversary of Evacuation Day, no meeting was held, and in consequence, the accumulated routine business had to be disposed of yesterday. The session commenced at 2 o'clock, and it was 51 o'clock before the Board sejourned. At the termination of the meeting, the clerk gave the following items to our reporter:

Under the resolution of the Board of Supervisors acthorizing the appointment of 400 extra men for duty on election day, the Commissioners empowered the General Superintendent to dispose of such men as should be appointed.

Fred. Hanson and W. P. Thorn of the Seventeenth Ward, and Patrick McGrath of the Second Ward, all of the old force, were reinstated.

The resignation of A W. Baldwin of the Harbor Police was accepted; also the resignation of Officer De Boise of the Eighteenth.

GERMAN DAY-SCHOOLS .- Owing to the ill-treatment of children of German descent in the public schools of New-York, both by teachers and popils, particularly where the Irish population predominate, strong efforts have lately been made in various parts of the city by the Germans to establish schools especially for their children, where they might send them to receive instruction, without being subjected to any sort of abuse. In the First Ward a new school was opened on the first inst., at No. 25 Greenwich street, which, at present is daily visited by about fifty children.

The school-rooms are arranged to accommodate about 70 children, at the expense of a benevolent German who, though without offspring of his own, loved children so well that he provided for these, because they were, he thought, improperly treated in the public schools. Another school has been established in the Eighteenth Ward, and is doing well. The German Free School which was established about six months ago, in the Tenth Ward, is now attended daily by about 500 pupils, male and female, who come also from the Wards adjoining.

AN IRISHMAN "COVERING HIS FRIEND'S RETREAT," AND WHAT CAME OF IT .- A young man named William Hamilton was arrested yesterday, by one the Mayor's officers, on the charge of seduction preferred. by a young woman named Eliza Reiadon. He was seated in the office awaiting his turn before the Mayor. When his turn came, however, he was non est. An Irishmen named Patrick Burns volunteered to give them full information about Hamilton. During a crowd he said he had "covered his retreat," locking around with an air that showed be was of the impression be had done a very smart little innecent thing. Pat's countenance became wonderfully changed when he was told that he had committed a crime, and must go to the Tombs, and although he could not understand the question clearly, he was hastened away and committed.

Down or was Workers --- Timothy Mulcahy, the person who was stabbed on Thanksgiving night at the grocery of Patrick Campbell, No. 99 Tenth avenue, died on Thursday afternoon at the New-York Ho pital. Coroner Jackman held an inquest on the body yesterday, when the evidence elicited went to show that Laughrens and the deceased got into a scuffle, when the former was thrown to the floor. While down he is alleged to have drawn a clasp knife and stabbed the deceased in six places. The Jury rendered a verdict that " deceased came to his death from stabs received at the hands of Henry Laughrens." The accused admits the stabbing, but says that he did it in self defense. He was them committed to the Tombs by the Coroner to await the action of the Grand Jury.

FIREMAN'S FUNERAL,-The Board of Engineers, and Foremen of the New-York Fire Department, met Thursday night at Firemen's Hall, in Mercer street, to appoint a time for the funeral of James Whalen, late of Hose Company No. 56, who lost his life by injuries received at a recent fire in Trinity Place. Resolutious of condolence were passed, and it was further resolved that the Department attend his funeral on Sunday next. The procession will form on New Bowery, right resting on Frankfort street, and the cortege will move at I o'clock p. m. to Calvary Cemetery, where the remains of deceased will be interred. The banner of the Department will be in charge of No. 8 Engine Company. Harry Howard presided at the meeting.

THIEVES IN A SPRING CART .- Two men, who are known by the names of Joseph Smith, alias " Dutch Joe," and Francis Donnelly, alias "Irish Frank," were arrested on Thursday, by Officers Wells and Legous of the Eleventa Precinct, charged with at tempting to steal. The returns from the Precinct say that these two worthies are of that class of thieves known as " snap thieves," from the fact of their making a living by snapping up articles exposed in the street for sale by the merchants, or from wagons. The two just arrested own a fast pony and spring cart, and while driving through the streets suddenly steal arti-cles and rapidly drive off. On Thursday they were observed following a wagon-load of country produce, and were arrested while attempting to steal a cheese. They were taken to Headquarters, where their picwere precured for the Rogues' Gallery, after which they were looked up for examination.

CORONER'S INQUEST .- Coroner Gamble held an in quest yesterday on the body of James Brady, who, while, win, in Third avenue, near fismilton square, was injured by caving in of an embankment. He was conversed to St. Lot Hospital, where he subsequently died. A verdict of "accidendeath" was returned.

"KATY-DID."-Kate Smith was arrested yesterday charged with having steem \$833 in bank bills from Martha Ann higlow of No. 23 Great Jones street. The money was kept in a rioset in Martha's room, and Katy, being a servant in the house, had access to the room. On being arrested. Kary a dulitied the theft, and was locked up by Justice Conckenbush to answer.

FELONIOUS ASSAULT .- Patrick Rooney, of No. 214 finbeth street, on Frieny has became intoxicated and while in at state familied the Police were after him. Sciring an as he-ta-med himse if at the door of the house, and refused to let any e enter the premises. Mrs. Ellen McDonald, who also lives in

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#### BROOKLYN ITEMS

THE PARK COMMISSIONERS .- A meeting of the Park Commissioners was held in the Mayor's office, last night, for the purpose of considering the projects for minor parks, within the city, but did very little in regard to the matter. Mr. Henry A. Kent submitted a proposition for a park, to consist of about 220 acres, beow Greenwood, one half lying in the town of New-Utrecht and the other half in the Eighth Ward. Ex-Mayor Berry proposed a park in the Eastern District, between Ridgewood and Greenpoint. Both propositi ns were referred to the Special Committee for report. The evening was spent in an interchange of views regarding parks in general.

ourn to-day for the Term. The next Term will commence on Monday the 5th inst., but the Calandar will not be called till the Monday following. The Circuit Court has also adjourned for the Term.

THE COURTS .- The Brooklyn City Court will ad-

More Counterperiino,—Horace K. Howlett, the keeper of a public house on the Coney Island Plankroad, was arrested on Wednesday by Deputy Sheriff John Friend, upon the charge of passing \$5 counterfeit bills on the Colonial Bank of Canada at different places about the city. Some \$300 of this unoney has, it is alleged, been circulated. The complainants have shown a disposition to compromise the matter, and it will probably be effected. Howlett was, however, committed to jult to a wait examination.

SUICIDE.—A young man named John Doughter consisted suicide in an unoccupied house in Myrtle avenue, near Walworth street, yesterday morning, by handing himself. He was tound suspended to one of the rafters about 50 clock. It appears that he had made three attempts before he finally succeeded, as the rope was found broken in three places. He had been subject to fits of insanity, and his movements had long been witched by his parents. The deceased was 22 years of age. Corener Horton held an inquest, and a verdict of suicide was rendered. HIGHWAY ROBBERY .- William Jeffers was brought

HIGHWAY ROBERTY.—William Jeffers was brought before Justice Cornwell yesterday for examination, on the charge of highway robbery. It appears that the accused and Duckett Daicy, had been drinking together, and while walking along Front street Jeffers tripped Daley up, and as alleged, robbed him of his pocket-book, containing \$400 in gold and bigs and small change. Jeffers ran away, and Daley precuring the assistance of two officers of the Second District had him arrested. The accused was fully committed to await the action of the Grand Jury. STEALING CATTLE. -John A. Brown was brought

STEALING CATTLE.—Joint A. Frown was brought before Justice Conveil yesterday, on the charge of stealing two steers from the premises of Mr. John Ehrhart. It appears that Frow a othered to sell them to a butcher in Attorney street. New-York, for much less than their value. The butcher being asspletion had Brown arrested, and it was subsequently secretained that the steers had been stelen from Mr. Ehrhart. They were valued at \$140. The accused was fully committed for trial. DISMISSED.—The charge of arson, preferred by John Opstel against Jules vandenberg, alleging that he set fire to his hotel, the Manor House, in December, 488, was dismissed yesterday by Justice Ryder, there being no evidence to substantiate the charge.

ARREST OF A BURGLAR'S ACCOMPLICE.—John Hoppard, a boy of fourteen years of age, was arrested on Thursday night, having been found secreted in the store of Henry Krone, corner of South Third and Sixth streets, E. D. When he was discovered, he admitted that he socreted himself in the store for the purpose of letting in a confederate, who intended to rob the store when all was quiet. He was committed on a charge of attempt at burglary. The police have no doubt but that this practice is carried on to a considerable extent in this city.

## LAW INTELLIGENCE.

SURROGATE'S COURT .- Dec. 2 -- Before Enw. C. WEST. THE SLEU WILL CASE.

This case, which involves about \$250,000 worth of property, has occupied much of the time of the Court since last Spring, and has been given the preference over other business for several weeks past, seems now to be in a fair way of being terminated, judging from the manner in which the Surrogate has urged it forward and the long sittings he gives to it, he appears to be determined to close it, if possible, by the end of the year. The case presents some features of considerable interest. It is claimed that Mrs. Cleu made a will in 1851 in favor of her husband, John F. Cleu. She died. in March, 1859, leaving no ances, ors or descendants, but leaving two sisters—one the wife of James B. Tay-lor, and the other the wife of John E. Develin, and

but leaving two sisters—one the wife of James B. Taylor, and the other the wife of John E. Develin, and also a brother, Albert Day.

Mr. Cleu offered the will for probate in May last, and these parties appeared as contestants, alleging that Mrs. Cleu afterwards, in December, 1856, made another will in their favor, which they had been unable to find, and the loss and contents of which they sought to prove. A great number of legal points have been discussed on both sides, and many witnesses have been examined. The testimony on the loss of this will occupied several weeks, and it was disclosed that Mrs. Cleu died at the house of a friend, Mrs. Dodge, in Eleventh street, after a somewhat protracted illness; that immediately after her funeral Mr. Cleu, who occupied an upper room in the house, was called upon by these parties, with whom it is alleged the Dodges were intimate, and all the irunks and papers of Mrs. Cleu were taken away. Mrs. Lockwood, a daughter of Mrs. Dodge, claimed that Mrs. Cleu had given her one of the trunks and contents, which was found to contain, among other things, two portraits of Mrs. Cleu, many papers, and no articles of dress, but some articles of jewelry; that a certain carpet-bag, in which Mrs. Cleu's important papers were supposed to be kept, was taken by Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. Develin to the bound of the latter in Brechlers and that the recent Cleu's important papers were supposed to be kept was taken by Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. Develin to the was taken by Mrs. Lockwood and Mrs. Develin to the home of the latter in Brooklyn, and that they sorted them and burned up all those they deemed of no im-portance; that these trunks were afterwards taken possession of by the Surrogate's officers, who scaled them up, and that Mrs. Lockwood broke the seal of

them up, and that Mrs. Lockwood broke the seal of one of them and examined the contents.

On the other branch of the investigation, which related to the contents of the will, it appeared that it was drawn by David P. Hall, Dec. 16, 1856, and was witnessed by Mrs. Lockwood and James and Joseph Ridgeway; that none of the witnesses except Mrs. Lockwood attempted to give the contents; she attempted it from recollection; that Birkett had some general idea of the contents, but nothing definite, and that he had hunted up from the files in Mr. Hall's office without consulting with him, a rough memorandum of the will in question, and that he did this at the request of Taylor and Develin, who paid him for his trouble. The counsel for Mr. Cleu claim that they have broken down Mrs. Lockwood's and Birkett's teatimeny by the cross-examination. Mr. Birkett soon

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The contestants proved by Mr. Edward Witherell, who lived at No. 10 Columbia street, that Mrs. Cleut came there on Dec. 16, 1856, and remained there till Christmas, and that when she went away she left. Hall's will in charge of his sister, Miss Witherell', that they put it in a trunk (unlocked), which was kept in a closet open to the whole family; that they went there and read it once or twice, and that Mr. Witherell made, a written memorandum of the contents, which he produced, and he swore, in answer to many questions, that he was sure he made that memorandum, soon after Mrs. Clue left. He also testified that he knew the signature to the will he raw was in Mrs. Cleu's handwriting. Two letters said to be in the handwriting of Albert Jay were shown to him, and he said they were in her handwriting.

Yesterday the proponents examined Mr. Garfield, with a view of contradicting the testimony. He testified that the paper on which this memorandum was written, was made at the mills of the firm of which be was a member; that they never made any paper of that description till July 20, 1857; never sold any till Augost, 1857, and that judging from the texture and quality of the paper, it was his opinion that the paper was not actually made till the latter part of the year 1858.

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This evidence produced a profound sensation in Court. The cross-examination was very close, but the witness corroborated his statements by certain implements which he had brought with him.

On the part of the proponent it was sought to be established that in any event the Hall will has procured to be executed by frand and undue influence; that the contestants had practiced upon her credulity, and had her to visit spiritual mediums, who told her that the spirit of a former departed husband com-